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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 3, 2003**

This is in response to the office action of October 3, 2003.

As set forth in more detail in the remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claimed subject matter is not anticipated or obvious in view of the cited references.